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FORM

OF

PRAYER

AND

THANKSGIVING

TO

ALMIGHTY GOD:

For the repeated Successes obtained by the Allied Army in Portugal and Spain, and for those which have attended the Arms of our Sovereign in this part of his Dominions.

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GRACIOUS God, accept, we implore Thee, the praises and thanksgivings of a grateful people, for the successes Thou haſt repeatedly vouchsafed to the allied Army, in Portugal and Spain, and for thoſe, also, which, under Thy Divine Providence, have attended the Arms of our Sovereign, in this portion of his Dominions.

Thine, O God, is the greatness, and the power, and the victory, and the Majeſty: without Thee, there is neither success in the wiſdom, nor ſtrength in the courage of man: the skill of the Captain, and the obedience of the Soldier, are Thine. Direct

rect our hearts, O God, ſo to exult in victory, that we forget not whence it cometh: ſo to uſe it, that we provoke not Thy heavy diſpleaſure againſt us.

Continue, we pray Thee, thy favour and protection to our Captains, and Soldiers, and Allies Unite their counſels, and proſper their enterpriſes for the general good. And of thy great mercy, O God, open the eyes of our blinded, and infatuated enemies; that they may ſee and underſtand the wickedneſs they are working. Touch them with the ſpirit of remorſe; awaken their juſtice; and correct their inordinate ambition; ſo that, at Thy appointed time, and under Thy good Providence, the miſeries of war may ceaſe, and deſtructions be brought to a perpetual end.

Theſe prayers, and thanksgivings, we humbly ſubmit to Thy Divine Majeſty, in the name, and through the mediation of our Lord and Saviour, Jeſus Chriſt.—AMEN.